



The
THE FAMILY LAW SECTION
respectfully submits the following position on:

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HB 5703

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The Family Law Section is not the State Bar of Michigan itself, but rather a Section which members of the State Bar choose voluntarily to join, based on common professional interest.

The position expressed is that of the Family Law Section only and is not the position of the State Bar of Michigan. To date, the State Bar of Michigan does not have a position on this matter.

The total membership of the Family Law Section is 2,585.

The position was adopted after review and vote by members elected to the Family Law Section's Council. The number of members in the decision-making body is 21. The number who voted in favor to this position was 13. The number who voted opposed to this position was 2.



Report on Public Policy Position

Name of Section:
Family Law Section

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Bill Number:
HB 5703 (Wojno) Family law; marriage and divorce; recording of certain information on marriage license and certificate; require. Amends sec. 4 of 1887 PA 128 (MCL 551.104). TIE BAR WITH: HB 5699'06, HB 5700'06, HB 5702'06.

Date position was adopted:
March 4, 2006

Process used to take the ideological position:
Vote of Council members present at Council

Number of members in the decision-making body:
21

Number who voted in favor and opposed to the position:
13-2

FOR SECTIONS ONLY:

This subject matter of this position is within the jurisdiction of the section.

The position was adopted in accordance with the Section's bylaws.

The requirements of SBM Bylaw Article VIII have been satisfied.

If the boxes above are checked, SBM will notify the Section when this notice is received, at which time the Section may advocate the position.

Position:

HB 5703 would require marriage licenses and certificates to contain information regarding completion (or not) of premarital education. The Council felt that this information should only be on the license application, and not on the marriage license. The Council opposed this bill.

The text (may be provided by hyperlink) of any legislation, court rule, or administrative regulation that is the subject of or referenced in this report:

[http://www.legislature.mi.gov/\(Orngndv5tvj3aw45nhbiuh45\)/mileg.aspx?page=BillStatus&objectname=2006-HB-5703](http://www.legislature.mi.gov/(Orngndv5tvj3aw45nhbiuh45)/mileg.aspx?page=BillStatus&objectname=2006-HB-5703)